



The Grape Vine

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The live-stream challenges from last week were resolved. Each week we improved on it. If you have comments that would be helpful for us to know, please email the church office.

Worship This Week

April 19

The Second Sunday of Easter

Facebook live feed 9 am

“ Believing Without Seeing ”

It's true. Seeing is believing. But those who can believe without seeing . . . aww, what a precious gift, what a joy!



Children's Sermon Facebook Live Feed at 11a

Palm Branches

As mentioned in the Grape Vine last week, the palms waved during worship and the children's sermon were not distributed. We have preserved them and will distribute them at the first service we have "in person" when these curiously dangerous times are over.

It is our pleasure to inform you with gratitude that Michelle Houtz has folded them into crosses. In some settings this has been a long-standing tradition.



Creative

corner

Did anyone make some Lenten pretzels? Send pictures to the church office.

What about something you did to endure the "Stay at Home" order?

Who are the poets among us? Certainly these uncertain times create thoughts and feelings to be put into verse.

This space is for us to connect with each other.

Looking Ahead

April 26 Third Sunday of Easter

Text: Luke 24:13-35

Sermon: Knowing God in the Broken Places

This passage of the walk to Emmaus gives us renewed insight to communing with God through Jesus the Christ.

Did You Know

Early Christians had to be careful to whom they acknowledged being a Christian. The fish would not be an obvious Christian symbol to persecutors; it is said that during the persecution of the early church, a Christian meeting someone new would draw a single arc in the sand. If the other person was a Christian, he or she would complete the drawing of a fish with a second arc. The

combined arcs formed the shape of a fish. If the second person was not a Christian, the ambiguity of the half-symbol would not reveal the first person as a Christian.

More "Fish Facts" to come.

[Reference for the information and symbols: <http://www.religionfacts.com/fish/image/147582>]

April

Birthdays

19 Angie Bicher
Leah Rosen
25 Susan Herr
27 Elwood Schnoke
28 Ellen Goodyear

NOTE: If your birthday was this week or is next week and your name is not listed, please contact the church office and provide the month, day and year. We won't tell anyone the year - honest!